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RE: Application Serial No.: 09/990,264  
Applicants: Hiroshi SUGIURA, et al.  
Filing Date: November 23, 2001  
For: FUEL CELL OUTPUT CHARACTERISTIC  
ESTIMATION APPARATUS AND OUTPUT  
CHARACTERISTIC ESTIMATION METHOD,  
FUEL CELL SYSTEM AND VEHICLE HAVING  
THE SAME, AND FUEL CELL OUTPUT  
CONTROL METHOD AND DATA STORAGE  
MEDIUM  
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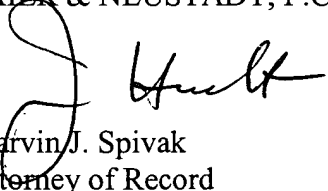
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SUBSTITUTE DECLARATION**

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Enclosed is a Substitute Declaration that includes the second priority number of the Japanese application, which was not indicated on the Declaration filed with the above-identified application.

The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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